

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT
300 Lakeside Drive, P.O. Box 12688, Oakland, CA 94604-2888

BART Police Citizen Review Board
Monday, March 13, 2017

A regular meeting of the BART Police Citizen Review Board (BPCRB) was held on Monday, March 13, 2017 convening at 4:00 p.m. The meeting consisted of a simultaneous teleconference call at the following locations:

BART Board Room Kaiser Center 20 th Street Mall – Third Floor 344-20 th Street Oakland, CA 94612	Hampton Inn & Suites Room 232 2011 East Donlon Street Blythe, CA 92225
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Members Present: Chairperson Cydia Garrett, Vice Chairperson David Rizk, Benjamin Douglas, Cathryn Freitas, William White, Darren White, Bob Maginnis, Sharon Kidd, George Perezvelez, and Richard Knowles.

BART Staff: BART Police Department (BPD) Acting Chief Jeffrey Jennings, BPD Deputy Chief Lance Haight, BPD Acting Deputy Chief Ed Alvarez, BPD Officer Shane Reiss, Independent Police Auditor Russell Bloom, Independent Police Investigator Patrick Caceres, and Senior Administrative Analyst Sarah Celso.

Others Present: Director John McPartland, and Débora Silva.

Agenda items discussed:

1. Call to Order.

The regular meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Chairperson Cydia Garrett.

2. Call for Quorum.

Chairperson Cydia Garrett, Vice Chairperson David Rizk, Benjamin Douglas, Cathryn Freitas, William White, Darren White, Bob Maginnis, Sharon Kidd, George Perezvelez, and Richard Knowles were present, amounting to a quorum.

3. Pledge of Allegiance Recital.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Chairperson Garrett announced that Débora Silva, from the Center for Investigative Reports, is doing a story on the aftermath of the Oscar Grant shooting and will be filming the meeting today.

4. Approval of Minutes of Prior Board Meeting. For Discussion and Action.

The BPCRB discussed this item.

A motion to approve the minutes of the prior BPCRB meeting was made by Ms. Kidd and seconded by Mr. D. White. The motion passed with nine votes in favor and one against.

- 5. General Discussion and Public Comment. Limited to 3 minutes per speaker.**
No general discussion. No public comment.

- 6. BPD Use of Force Policy Revision Subcommittee Update. For Discussion and Action.**

Director McPartland entered the meeting.

Mr. Rizk provided an update regarding this item. The Subcommittee will continue to work with BART General Counsel and BPD; they hope to have versions of the policy revision to present at the next BPCRB Meeting.

The BPCRB discussed this item.

No action taken.

- 7. Deadline for Submission and Receipt of Agenda Materials. For Discussion and Action.**

The BPCRB discussed this item.

Mr. Bloom discussed this item and answered questions from the BPCRB.

Director McPartland addressed the BPCRB.

A motion was made by Ms. Freitas to require that agenda materials be distributed no less than 72 hours in advance of the monthly BPCRB meeting in order for the agenda item to be discussed or acted upon. The motion failed with one vote in favor and nine against.

- 8. BPCRB Training Plan Approval for April 2017. For Discussion and Action.**

Mr. Bloom presented the BPCRB Training Plan for April 2017 to the BPCRB. The proposed plan consisted of a presentation from BPD personnel regarding BPD Policy #467 – Homeless Persons.

The BPCRB discussed this item.

A motion to approve the BPCRB Training Plan for April 2017 was made by Mr. Perezvelez and seconded by Mr. D. White. The motion passed unanimously.

- 9. Chief of Police's Report. For Discussion and Action.**

Acting Chief Jennings announced the makeup Advanced Officer Training will take place March 24th – March 26th.

- a. BPD Monthly Report.**

BPD Monthly Report for January 2017 was distributed to the BPCRB. Acting Chief Jennings answered questions from the BPCRB.

Acting Chief Jennings reported that the COPS Unit participated in Reading Across America - Celebrating the Life of Dr. Seuss, and Polar Plunge to raise funds for Special Olympics. He also stated that on April 6th that they will continue their Special Olympics outreach with Tip-A-Cop at Claim Jumpers in Concord. Acting Chief Jennings announced that Deputy Chief Ben Fairrow will retire at the end of this month after 27 years in law enforcement with six years being with BPD.

10. Independent Police Auditor's Report. For Discussion and Action.

Ms. Kidd exited the meeting.

a. OIPA Monthly Report

Mr. Bloom presented OIPA's February 2017 Monthly Report and he answered questions from the BPCRB.

b. Update Regarding Audio Recordings of BPCRB Meetings.

Mr. Bloom provided an update regarding this item and answered questions from the BPCRB.

A motion was made by Mr. Rizk and seconded by Mr. Douglas to provide a notice on the BPCRB web page stating that BPCRB meeting audio recordings are available via a Public Records Act request. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Adjournment.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Perezvelez and was seconded by Mr. D. White. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:28 p.m.